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## Items of Interest Gleaned from Our Exchanges

Wynot Tribune: Misses Lucile Morgan and Mildred Woodruff were passengers to Sioux City Saturday morning to spend the day with home folks.

Sioux City Journal, 21: Mrs. Charles Murphy and children, of South Sioux City, Neb., visited this week in the home of Mrs. Murphy's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Wilkins.

Sloan, Ia., Star: Mrs. A. J. Davis, of Fargo, N. D., visited the past week in the home of her uncle, S. J. Oliver, leaving here yesterday for a visit in the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Bennett, at Homer, Neb., after which she will return to her home.

Osmond Republican: An item that missed our reporter was the arrival of a son at the E. J. Huey home on Monday, January 28. Mrs. J. M. Huey, of Randolph, was a visitor here at the home of her son, E. J. Huey, last week, coming to see her new grandson.

Walthill Citizen: Mrs. W. H. Mason was in Sioux City and Dakota City Monday and Tuesday. Born to Mr. and Mrs. Ray Waterman, Saturday, February 9, 1918, an eight pound daughter, at the home of its grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. H. Lamson. Mr. Waterman came Tuesday night from Council Bluffs, Ia., to help care for the little Miss.

Lyons Mirror: Born to Mr. and Mrs. John Spencer, of Omaha, a daughter, February 13, 1918. Mrs. Spencer was formerly Miss Katherine Little. Miss Grace Kayton, of Lyons, Neb., and Dr. W. I. Devers, a promising young physician of Upland, Neb., were quietly married on February 18th, at the M. E. parsonage in Tekamah, Neb., Rev. Buell officiating.

Sioux City Journal, 25: Funeral services for William Panke, 21 years old, of the Columbia hotel, whose body was found Saturday west of South Sioux City, Neb., will be conducted this afternoon at 2:30 by Rev. Walter M. Short at Westcott's chapel. Burial will be in Floyd cemetery. Following an investigation George Leamer, acting coroner of Dakota county, announced as his belief the man committed suicide. It was said he was despondent as a result of a disagreement with a young woman.

Emerson Enterprise: Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Maher and children, of Norfolk, visited last week at the home of her mother, Mrs. Pat Kerwin. Mrs. Joe Heenan, of Jackson, and Mrs. J. W. O'Connor, of Hinton, Ia., visited a few days last week at the home of their father, Jas. Heaney. Dakota county has announced

ed the Emerson precinct committee for the next Liberty Loan drive, which will be made some time in April, as follows: D. G. Evans, Chairman, James A. Ireland, Ben Bonderson and A. Ira Davis.

Allen News: Will Armour, of Sioux City, came up to Allen on the Monday evening train to attend to some business. W. J. Pettit is moving his household goods this week into the Mrs. Laura Warner house. He is moving off the farm near Martinsburg. In a conversation with the professors of the state University last week, R. C. Caulk was informed that they are urging all farmers to plant new seed corn preferably of last year's crop instead of the old corn, and thus feel more assured of a crop. They gave as the reason that the old seed corn, if the season was late, would rot in the ground much sooner than would the new corn.

Sioux City Journal, 23: Henry Shoemaker, of Winnebago, Neb., who has been in jail at Hartington on a seduction charge for the last two weeks, was taken over by United States officials and given a hearing before Commissioner Whitcomb at Winnebago on the charge of white slavery. He was ordered committed temporarily to the jail at Fremont awaiting his formal hearing at Winnebago February 28. Shoemaker is charged with transporting Ella Hoheke, of Randolph, Neb., to Kansas City, Mo., in January. He was arrested by the civil authorities two weeks ago on the charge of seduction filed by the girl, after he had refused to marry her, it is stated. Deputy United States Marshal William Morgan filed the charge of white slavery.

Ponca Journal: Donald Best has gained considerable popularity in Dakota county by knitting a sweater for a soldier boy for the local Red Cross chapter. He is well known in Ponca, where he and his brother conducted the "Best Store." Miss Viola McPharran, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stewart McPharran, and Mr. Oscar Paulson, of Wayne, Neb., were married at the M. E. parsonage in Ponca Thursday morning, February 14, at 10 o'clock a. m., Rev. L. R. McGaughey officiating. Miss McPharran is one of Dixon county's teachers and it would seem that Dixon county is having the misfortune of losing several of its prominent teachers by way of "Cupid's darts." However, the best wishes and congratulations of their many friends follow these promising young people as they take up the responsibilities of wedded life.

Wakefield Republican: Mrs. LaValley has returned to Wakefield after an extended visit with friends at Dakota City. Mrs. J. R. Feauto spent Saturday and Sunday in Emerson visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Feauto. Mrs. Louis Cooley, who has been confined to her home the past six weeks with a bad case of bronchitis, is reported to be a little better. A telegram was received in Wakefield stating

## Buy Baby Bonds

### Help the Boys at the Front

The Herald will Accept them at Face Value, Allowing you Four Years' Subscription for a \$5 Bond, that will only cost you \$4.14 during March. The sooner you Buy the more you Save



that Ed Spencer and the company which he is a member, have returned from Honolulu and are now in California. Mrs. Ben Chase and Mrs. F. Barto went to Sioux City Thursday. Mrs. Barto returned in the evening. Mrs. Chase went to Jackson, where she attended the funeral of Mrs. Hogens. Mrs. Hogens was Mrs. Bert Chase's mother. Twenty-five friends and relatives of C. T. Barto gathered at his home last Friday evening to help him celebrate his 31st birthday. The evening was spent in music and games. He was presented with a birthday cake carrying as many candles as he was years old. Mr. Barto is one of Dixon county's first settlers.

Oakland Independent: H. M. Paradise went Dakota City Monday and will work towns on the Burlington this week. Uncle Mose of the Lyons Mirror-Sun has done a little sleuthing and now feels confident that some German spy put an end to the Mirror by setting the place on fire. In a long article in last week's issue he unfolds the whole story of how it was done. The whole story? No, not quite. There are other things, he says, that he has not yet made public. Mr. Warner says that while a big crowd was going home from a dance, the spy slipped into the building, threw a bomb, and then mingled with the passing crowd. There is one thing that puzzles the writer: He has never heard of a noiseless bomb. Why did not all these people hear the explosion? And has Mr. Warner investigated the statement that a couple passing the shop a little before the fire saw thru the window that the stove was red hot? Mr. Warner states that he has received a threatening letter and he asked the council of defense to look into the matter, which he claims was not done.

Sioux City Journal, 22: A South Sioux City rooster earned \$57.50 for the Red Cross. The bird, donated by Mrs. T. S. Monahan, was sold at a patriotic box social held at the Knowlton & Manning hall under the auspices of the finance committee of the Red Cross. Altogether \$104.50 was realized for the chapter. David Rogers, of Sioux City, and Judge R. E. Evans, of Dakota City, spoke. Arrangements were in charge of H. O. Dorn, president of the finance committee, and Mrs. Cora Miller, treasurer. William D. Hogan yesterday was made defendant in a \$15,000 damage suit for wrongful arrest brought against him in district court by C. C. McKillips. Mr. Hogan is a plumber. Mr. McKillips alleges that on November 30, 1917, Mr. Hogan went to the station and swore out a warrant charging McKillips with the theft of an automobile tire belonging to LaValle & Hogan. Mr. McKillips was arrested. The case was taken to the court of Justice of the Peace D. C. Brown, where it was tried. McKillips was discharged. Mr. McKillips alleges that as a result of the arrest he was given unpleasant notoriety in the newspapers which injured his reputation and standing in the community to the extent of \$15,000.

Sioux City Tribune, 23: Unless tolls over the Missouri river bridge are lowered, the projected "booming" of Crystal Lake as a resort this summer will be met by the serving of an injunction by South Sioux Cityans restraining the operation of trolley cars between the depot and the lake. Ward Evans, attorney for the bridge patrons, announced today. The Sioux City, Crystal Lake & Homer line, which connects with the

line of the Service company at the depot in South Sioux City, operates without a franchise. Numerous complaints have been filed with the council of South Sioux City in regard to the equipment and operation of the line, and it is entirely within the province of the residents to force the line by injunction to cease operating, Mr. Evans said. Such a move will render valueless property acquired at Crystal Lake by promoters. The importance of the step as a move in the tolls fight was made clear at a recent conference held here by Gerald Bagnall, a United States engineer from Kansas City, at which representatives of both sides were present and admission was made by F. L. Eaton and E. A. Burgess that the Missouri River Bridge company owns a large interest in the Crystal Lake Park company, Mr. Evans said. An injunction making the property of the park company valueless would therefore force a reduction of the tolls by the bridge company, he declared.

Sioux City Journal, 24: Mrs. Owen Owens has returned from Homer, Nebraska, where she visited her sister, Mrs. Geo. Hickox. John M. Severson, convicted of violating the city building ordinance, was fined \$25 by Judge Jepson. Mr. Severson started to build a house without taking out a building permit. He was arrested and fined \$50 in police court. A jury in the district court found him guilty of violating the ordinance. The judge declared the police court fine was "too stiff" for such an offense and cut it in half. T. F. Lacy, president of the Crystal Lake Park company, last night, denied the published charge made by a newspaper that the company is controlled by the Sioux City Service company, the Sioux City Stock Yards company, the Missouri River Bridge company or any representatives of these companies. The published statement that Ward R. Evans, South Sioux City attorney, would attempt to procure an injunction restraining the Sioux City, Crystal Lake and Homer line from operating between South Sioux City and Crystal Lake as a reprisal for the refusal of the bridge company and allied corporations to reduce bridge tolls also was ridiculed by Mr. Lacy. Both the lake company and the small traction line operating from South Sioux City to Crystal Lake and Dakota City are owned by small stock companies which have no connection with the bridge company, Mr. Lacy asserted. He said the line had been furnishing satisfactory service to hundreds of Dakota county farmers. Mr. Lacy, as president, and Joe H. Marshall as secretary and treasurer, are the chief owners of the lake company, he declared. Having apparently committed suicide, the body of William Panke, of Sioux City, was found at noon yesterday by J. L. Phillips, a South Sioux City grocer, one mile west of that town. The body was found by the side of the road, having become uncovered from the snow by the thaw yesterday. George Leamer, of Dakota City, acting coroner, was called to the scene. He decided that no coroner's inquest was necessary, giving it as his opinion that it had been a plain case of suicide. Mr. Panke was 21 years old, the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Panke living at the Columbia hotel. He lived with his parents, but was engaged in the gardening business at South Sioux City and spent much of his time there. Tuesday, February 12, he disappeared and was not seen until the body was found yesterday. On the night following his disappearance this section was visited by a heavy snow storm and it is thought

that he wandered into the country during the storm and there took his life and that the body became covered with snow. Despite the fact that no gun has yet been found the corner and attending undertakers are firm in the belief that young Panke took his own life and that there is but bare possibility that he had been the victim of foul play. The nature of the wounds, they assert, indicate that they were self-inflicted. South Sioux City people say that Panke had been acting queerly prior to his disappearance. Several theories have been advanced as to the suicide, chief among them being that he had been jilted by a South Sioux City girl. He is alleged to have confided to a friend at South Sioux City that his girl had "turned him down" and that life had little in store for him. Besides his parents he is survived by one brother, John, of South Sioux City, and two sisters, Mary, of Sioux City, and Clara, of Omaha.

### Soldier's Letter

Jefferson Barracks, Mo., Feb. 18th. Dear Dad:—I left Chicago Saturday night, at 9 o'clock. There were about thirty of us and we had a car by ourselves. Arrived in St. Louis about 7:45 and got out here at 8:30. We did not get anything to eat until noon. I and another fellow went back to St. Louis in the afternoon. We only had about 2 hours in town. I never slept in such a cold place as I did that night.

The next day we were examined. I was a half inch too tall for cavalry so they put me in coast artillery. Today we received our uniforms. There were about 200.

I passed my examination tip top. They vaccinated all of us and gave us a shot in the arm. It made all our arms so sore we could not move them. They had to take some to hospital. It made me a little sick at my stomach but that's all. We have to have two more before long. I don't suppose I will be here long. So if you write do it soon. I hope they send me to the Pacific coast but am afraid I will go to New York or Virginia. Well must close and write another letter. Lovingly, James S. Neiswanger.

### Monthly Meeting of Farm Bureau

February 22, 1918. Board met at the county agent's office at the court house, Friday, February 22, 1918. Those present were: C. C. Beerman, Directors Goodfellow, Madison, Armour, and Boals, County Agent Young and Secretary Forbes.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. County Agent Young turned over to the secretary checks aggregating \$150, the same being for subscriptions and advertising in the Farm Bureau News.

**THE FOLKS AT HOME EXPECT YOU TO TELL 'EM ALL ABOUT "OMAHA'S FUN CENTRE," THE Gayety VISIT IT. Exciting Burlesque; Vaudeville Stages Always Filled with Pretty Girls, Funny Clowns, Gorgeous Equine, Brilliant Scenic Environment. LADIES' DINE MATINEE EVERY WEEKDAY Everybody Goes; Ask Anybody. ALWAYS THE BIGGEST AND BEST SHOW WEST OF CHICAGO.**

The following bills were approved and orders drawn on the treasurer for the same:

C. R. Young, February expense	\$17.54
M. A. Schmied, printing 100 envelopes	4.35
800 Farm Bureau News	24.50
Zinc drawing and etching cut	4.00
400 Farm Bureau News	18.50
Total	\$68.89

County Agent Young was appointed to meet with commissioners, and ask for an appropriation to buy poison for the eradication of the pocket gopher pest.

A motion was made by Director Boals and seconded by Goodfellow that the president appoint a committee to make a contract with County Agent Young for the year 1918 for \$2250.00 and for the year 1919 for \$2500.00, if sufficient funds are on hand to carry on the work for that year.

Treasurer H. H. Adair and Secretary Don Forbes were appointed on the above committee, after which the board adjourned.

Dan Forbes, Secretary.

### COUNTY AGENT'S MONTHLY REPORT—FEBRUARY, 1918.

Locating and testing seed corn and encouraging others to test has been the principal work of the month. Seven thousand bushels of 1916 corn have been located. Four testing demonstrations were conducted with an attendance of 265. One day was spent visiting the testing station at Merville, Ia. A testing station for the individual ear test of seed corn was opened at Homer on February 20th. A. H. Williams was employed to take charge of this station.

Samples of alfalfa and sweet clover seed were sent to the state seed analyst at Lincoln for analysis. These reports are being mailed to those inquiring for such seed. Already about 30 farmers have received these lists.

A conference was held with Miss Made Wilson, of the home economic extension department, to determine the work of the woman who will assist in county agent work in this county during the next three months.

Arrangements for a series of orchard pruning demonstrations and evening meetings were arranged during the month, to be held during March, as was also plans for a potato, melon and truck growers' institute at South Sioux City.

A Boys' and Girls' institute was held at the high school in Dakota City with an attendance of 35. This meeting was on a very stormy day, which accounts for the small attendance.

One hundred and sixty subscriptions to the Dakota County Farm Bureau News were received during the month.

Two days were lost, due to sickness. P. H. Stephens during the month made eight seed corn demonstrations with a total attendance of 166. He is now testing seed for the farmers at Homer.

Other duties were: Circular letters sent, 325; letters written, 180; letters received, 136; office callers, 32; phone calls, 135; farm visits, 8; miscellaneous meetings, 1; miles by auto, 156; miles by train, 98.

C. R. YOUNG, County Agricultural Agent.

## Dakota City Grocery

### Specials for Saturday

Fancy Sp-tzenberger Apples per peck	55c
Grape Fruit, 3 for	25c
1 Can Corn	15c
1 large can Tomatoes	20c
Olives, per bottle	10c
Quick Suds, per pkpe	25c
Jelly Powder, 3 pkgs for	25c
Borden Milk, 16-oz can	15c
Bologna, per lb	20c
Liver sausage	20c
Boiling Meat per lb	17c
Beef Roast, per lb	18c

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